

REMARKS

The Examiner's continued attention to the present application is noted with appreciation, as is the indication of allowability of the subject matter of claims 4-6 (should be 2-6 due to terminal disclaimer), 15, 16, 20, 22-26, 35, 36, and 40.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 7-14, 17-19, 21, 27-34, and 37-39 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Papen et al. ("Papen"). The rejection is traversed, particularly as to the claims as amended to accept the subject matter of the claims indicated as allowable. Claims 1 and 21 are amended to include the subject matter of claims 2 and 22, respectively. New claims 41-50 are presented, which correspond to the following subject matter combinations:

Claim 41 corresponds to Claims 1 and 5.

Claim 42, depending from claim 41, corresponds to claim 6.

Claim 43 corresponds to Claims 1, 13, 14, and 15.

Claim 44, depending from claim 43, corresponds to claim 16.

Claim 45 corresponds to Claims 1, 17, and 20.

Claim 46 corresponds to Claims 21 and 25.

Claim 47, depending from claim 46, corresponds to claim 26.

Claim 48 corresponds to Claims 21, 33, 34, and 35.

Claim 49, depending from claim 48, corresponds to claim 36.

Claim 50 corresponds to Claims 21, 37, and 40.


Credit card authorization has been given for payment of the appropriate fees. Authorization is given to charge payment of any additional fees required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Acct. 13-4213.

An earnest attempt has been made to respond to each and every ground of rejection advanced by the Examiner without raising new matter or new issues. However, should the Examiner have any queries, suggestions or comments relating to a speedy disposition of the application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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